

Thom Gregory W  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Thom Gregory W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CAPELLA EDUCATION CO  
[CPLA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
225 SOUTH 6TH STREET, 9TH FLOOR  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/03/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
General Counsel

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common stock	08/03/2009		M		577 A \$ 20 577	D	
Common stock	08/03/2009		M		1,000 A \$ 20 1,577	D	
Common stock	08/03/2009		S		1,577 D \$ 65 0	D	
Common stock	08/04/2009		M		423 A \$ 20 423	D	
Common stock	08/04/2009		S		423 D \$ 65 0	D	

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Common stock	1,037	I	By Retirement Savings Plan
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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 20	08/03/2009		M	577	<u>(1)</u> 08/01/2013	Common stock	577
Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 20	08/03/2009		M	1,000	<u>(2)</u> 08/11/2015	Common stock	1,000
Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 20	08/04/2009		M	423	<u>(1)</u> 08/01/2013	Common stock	423

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Thom Gregory W 225 SOUTH 6TH STREET 9TH FLOOR MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402			General Counsel	

## Signatures

/s/ Gregory W.  
Thom

08/05/2009

\_\_Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) Shares vest as to 25% annually beginning August 2, 2007.

(2) The option vests as to 530 shares on August 12, 2006; 530 shares on August 12, 2007; 1,439 shares on August 12, 2008 and the remaining 1,440 shares vest on August 12, 2009.

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